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The reply filed on November 9, 2004, is not fully responsive to the prior
Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s). See 37 CFR
1.111.

- 2. Newly presented claims 139-159 are directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention: 1) a method in which electrolyte is flowed on first and second portions of the substrate at the same time and plating current is applied to plating electrodes for the first and second portions separately; 2) a method in which electrolyte is flowed on a first portion of the substrate while plating on the first portion and electrolyte is flowed to the first portion and a second portion of the substrate simultaneously while plating the film on the second portion; 3) a method in which electrolyte is flowed on a first portion of the substrate while plating on the first portion of the substrate and electrolyte is flowed to the first and a second portion of the substrate simultaneously while plating on the first and second portions simultaneously.
- 3. In the Office Action mailed on March 24, 2004, an election of species requirement including the above listed three species was made. This Office Action stated, "If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a)." In the response to the election of species requirement filed on April 23, 2004, applicant elected species 1 without traverse.

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4. In the paper filed on November 9, 2004, applicant has not indicated which of newly presented claims 139-159 are readable upon the elected species as required. Consequently, the amendment is non-responsive.

5. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William T. Leader whose telephone number is 571-272-1245. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays-Thursdays and alternate Fridays, 7:30-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Roy King, can be reached on 571-272-1244. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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William Leader January 19, 2005